

**DRAFT
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL)**

**For
Fecal and Total Coliform
In
Hillsborough River Basin
(HUC 03100205)**

(Includes TMDLs for Sparkman Branch, Hillsborough River, Baker Creek, Flint Creek, Blackwater Creek, Cypress Creek, and New River)

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Section 303(d)(1)(C) of the Clean Water Act (CWA), 33 U.S.C. §1313(d)(1)(C), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's implementing regulation, 40 CFR §130.7(c)(1), require the establishment of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for waters identified by states as not meeting water quality standards under authority of §303(d)(1)(A) of the CWA. Each of these TMDLs are to be established at a level necessary to implement applicable water quality standards with seasonal variations and a margin of safety, accounting for lack of knowledge concerning the relationship between pollutant loading and water quality.

EPA is proposing the TMDLs included in this document as required by the 1999 Consent Decree entered in the case of Florida Wildlife Federation, Inc., et al. v. Carol M. Browner, et al., No. 4:98CV356-WS (N.D. Fla., Tallahassee Division, April 22, 1998). The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) was the primary author of these TMDL as indicated by the various reports. The FDEP could not submit these TMDLs to EPA for approval/disapproval action in the allocated timeframe provided in the Consent Decree. However, the FDEP is continuing the process of establishing these TMDLs to submit to EPA for approval/disapproval action. It is EPA's expectation that FDEP will establish the TMDLs included in this document and submit to EPA in the near future. At this time, EPA proposes these TMDLs under V.A.1 of the Consent Decree.

The following TMDL reports are available as separate files:

Attachment A: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for Sparkman Branch (WBID 1561)

Attachment B: Total Coliform TMDL for Hillsborough River (WBID 1443D)

Attachment C: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for Hillsborough River (WBID 1443E)

Attachment D: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for Flint Creek (WBID 1522A)

Attachment E: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for Baker Creek (WBID 1522C)

Attachment F: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for Blackwater Creek (WBID 1482)

Attachment G: Total Coliform TMDL for Cypress Creek (WBID 1402)

Attachment H: Fecal and Total Coliform TMDLs for New River (WBID 1442)